

Wheatfield, May 11/21.

Dear Mr. Garrison:

I fully  
intended to have made  
much earlier acknowledgment  
of your very welcome  
letter. It came duly and  
was much enjoyed by both  
Anna and myself. It  
would I could have been  
yet more particular to us  
I can only have had  
your presence, Mr. Mrs.  
& and indeed all your  
household, on the occasion  
of mine marriage. It  
proved a most pleasant  
and very satisfactory talk

our guests - and I trust  
with our conditions not  
a little profitable addition  
as well. To me, however  
the endearing and more  
intimate relation we have  
thus permitted to exist  
to each other is a source  
of deep sweet and  
abiding happiness.

They so much at our own  
enjoyment & life has been  
enhanced - I am made the  
more intensely & late and  
abundant that widespread  
Slave system so full of cruel  
reckless and heartrending details.  
May the sequel to this ex-  
traordinary condition

a ~~very~~ <sup>very</sup> ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> that the  
of the organized inquiry  
is near at hand.

I want to thank you -  
very heartily (in which I  
know all our household  
would join me) for your  
editorial upon the war in  
the last Liberator. I  
have been "aching" since  
the revolution began in  
your earnest and just such  
an expression of the  
anti-slavery <sup>1<sup>st</sup> go out before the people at large</sup> faith. I wish  
very much that immediately  
in printed slips or tract form  
it might be sent out and  
spread like snow flakes  
- ~~in~~ <sup>to</sup> the North.

With me it was one of  
the genuine abolition  
sympathetic "wait it out" is  
never the keynote of  
abolitionists & somewhat  
this juncture than perhaps  
otherwise admirable, but  
more warlike speech upon  
the war.

The present is no time to  
put the banner of genuine  
total nonresistance (anti-war  
etc) peace principles even  
though the "thousand stripes"  
are likely to become "red"  
tinted with the blood of the  
slaves, <sup>though</sup> they lead ~~to~~ victorious  
armies against the master,  
instead, as heretofore against  
the prostrate victim thus very